



GAMMA Rays

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Valentines Brunch

February 15, 2009

Don't miss the annual Valentine's Brunch this year on February 15 at Eagan's On Water in downtown Milwaukee.

Eagan's has become one of Milwaukee's finest restaurants featuring a large selection of fresh seafood flown in daily from Oregon, Maine, Hawaii, and New Zealand, just to name a few. The restaurant also features a large bar with over 450 liquors as well as malt beverages and wines. For more information on Eagan's On Water, visit their website.

www.eagansonwater.com

Please remember to RSVP to EM Rob C. no later than February 11 to reserve your place at the brunch!



Submissions for the GAMMA Rays should be sent to the editor.
The Deadline for the March edition is February, 16–5:00 p.m.

Rome Movie Night

Please roam on down to Richard Q.'s place on the lower east side to spend an evening watching "Rome".

The miniseries is an intimate drama of love and betrayal, masters and slaves, and husbands and wives, 'Rome' chronicles the epic times that saw the fall of a Republic and the creation of an empire.

The series is shot throughout Italy and boasts the largest standing film set in the world, comprising five acres of backlot and six soundstages at the world-famous Cinecittà Studios. To learn more about 'Rome', visit the website...
www.hbo.com/rome/

A light supper will be provided along with soft drinks.

(This will be a recurring event every month during the winter and early spring.)



- HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!
FEBRUARY
- 3 James R.
 - 5 Rob C.
 - 10 Nicholas T.
 - 10 Jose V.
 - 13 Phil S.
 - 15 Si S.
 - 15 Ben T.
 - 22 Walter N.
 - 26 Roger K.
 - 27 Christopher R.
 - 27 Jim H.
 - 28 Joe C.

Thank you...



Many thanks to Joe L. and Tom B. for hosting the January Monthly Party!

NEW MEMBERS

Dan B.
Jerry B.
Scott P.
Michael P.
John R.
Ken W.

Guests Are Welcome

As a social organization, it has always been important that GAMMA members have the ability to bring guests to our events. **That's how we show off to the rest of the community what makes GAMMA so special to us.** However, it is also important to remember that we are a membership organization whose primary aim is to serve the needs of our members. Balancing these two is often a tricky issue, and that is why the Board of Directors adopted a Guest Guideline policy in 2007.

In order to ensure compliance with State law, we have made a change to our Guest Guideline regarding the minimum age for attendance at our events. You will find the revised policy below for your reference. At the next general meeting of our membership in November, the Board will be presenting an amendment to our By-Laws to make a similar change.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please feel free to contact any Board member at the numbers listed in this newsletter.

GAMMA Guest Guidelines

Adopted on 02/07/07. Revised 01/21/09.

The purpose of this guideline is to provide our members, as well as the general public, with information regarding Milwaukee GAMMA, Inc.'s guest policy. **As a social organization that relies on members for support and recruitment of new members, bringing guests to events is encouraged.** However, we are a membership organization and the ultimate goal is for guests to join and fully participate in the organization as paid members.

GAMMA members may invite and bring adult guests to events. The member is asked to notify the host/event manager before the event as a courtesy.

There is no limit to the number of guests a member may invite during the year. However, if a member is planning to **bring more than 2 guests to an event, the member must contact the host/event manager first to be sure it's okay.**

A non-member may attend two events as a guest in a membership year. After attending a second event as a guest, it is expected that the person become a member before attending additional events. Exceptions can be made by the Board of Directors.

Non-members wishing to attend an event without an invitation of a specific member may do so by speaking to any Board member and making appropriate arrangements. In these situations, the host/event manager must be notified and given the opportunity to limit attendance to members and accompanied guests only.

Attendance at GAMMA events and activities shall be restricted to person 21 years of age and older.

Social volleyball is open to both members and non-members. No prior arrangements need to be made for non-members to attend. However, members, as well as non-members, are asked to notify the volleyball coordinator as a courtesy if they are expecting to attend. The fee for members and non-members will be the same.

February Events



FRONTRUNNERS

MILWAUKEE RUN/WALK FEBRUARY 7, 14, 21, 28

Time: 9:00 a.m. (Saturdays)
Place: Start from Water Tower
at East end of North Ave.
FMI: John S.

Rain or shine, each Saturday we meet in
friendship for some exercise, all are wel-
come to join in. Breakfast afterwards.

ROME MOVIE NIGHT FEBRUARY 1

Time: 6:30—9:00 p.m.
Place: Milwaukee
EM: Richard Q.
RSVP: Highly Suggested

CRIBBAGE FEBRUARY 5

Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Milwaukee
Host: Rob C.
Bring: \$1.00 and your beverage
RSVP: Optional
Other: All abilities welcome!

MONTHLY PARTY FEBRUARY 7

Time: 7:00 p.m.
Host: Tim A.

RSVP: Optional
Bring: Please bring a dish to pass and
your beverage.

VALENTINE'S BRUNCH RSVP DEADLINE FEBRUARY 11

Place: Eagan's
EM: Rob C.

Please call and leave a message so you
won't be left out on February 15.

BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 11

Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Milwaukee
Host: Rob C.
RSVP: Recommended

BOWLING FEBRUARY 13

Time: 7:00-9:30 p.m.
Place: AMF-West Allis
EM: Tony S. and Yen L.
Bring: Bowling shoes & ball
or rent them
Cost: Shoe Rental \$2.00
\$4.00 per game
(We usually play three games)
RSVP: Optional

Directions: Take I-94 (West) to the Highway 100
(South) exit (#304A). Proceed South on Highway 100
to Lapham St. Turn right (West) onto Lapham St. and
proceed to address on left (South) side of the street.

BRUNCH FEBRUARY 15

Time: 11:30 Cocktails
12:00 Brunch
Place: Eagan's
1030 N. Water St.
Milwaukee
EM: Rob C.
Cost: \$26.95
RSVP: MANDATORY BY FEBRUARY 11

Directions: From the Marquette Interchange take I-43
north to the Hy 145 / McKinley exit. Take McKinley
east to Water St. Turn south on Water and Eagan's will
be on the east side of the street across from the Mar-
cus Center parking structure.

VOLLEYBALL FEBRUARY 15

Time: 12:00—2:00 p.m.
Place: Beulah Brinton Center
2555 S. Bay St.
Milwaukee
EM: Peter S.
Cost: \$6.00
RSVP: Recommended
Other: Indoor hard court in Bay View.
Juice, water, and snacks provided

Directions: Take the Lake Parkway south to East Russell
Ave. Go right (west) on Russell one block to South Bay
Street. Go right on Bay Street (north) about 500 feet the
Brinton Center on the left (west side).



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FEBRUARY 16

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Submit event listings and articles to the editor.

SHEEPSHEAD FEBRUARY 17

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Waukesha

Host: David H.

Bring: \$1.00 and Beverage

RSVP: Recommended

GAME NIGHT FEBRUARY 21

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Menomonee Falls

Host: Peter S.

Bring: Please bring a snack to pass, your beverage, and your favorite game.

RSVP: Optional

DINING OUT RSVP DEADLINE FEBRUARY 23

Place: Serb Hall

EM: Rob C.

Please call and leave a message so you won't be left out on February 27.

DINING OUT FEBRUARY 27

Time: 7:00 p.m. cocktails

7:30 p.m. dinner

Place: Serb Hall

5150 Oklahoma Ave.

Milwaukee

EM: Rob C.

RSVP: MANDATORY BY FEBRUARY 23

Cost: \$7.95—\$15.95

Directions: From East-West 94: exit on Hawley Road South which becomes 60th Street to Oklahoma Ave. Turn east to 51st Street.

NOTE ON DIRECTIONS:

Generally, directions provided in the newsletter are from the Marquette Interchange where I-94, I-794, and I-43 intersect. If you need help, call the host or event manager.

Save the date...

Make A Promise

Join your fellow GAMMA members for the 23rd Annual Make A Promise Dinner on Saturday, April 4th at 5:30 p.m. at the Midwest Airlines Center.

The Make A Promise Dinner commemorates the promise made by a small group of friends to continue to raise critical funds for the fight against AIDS until a cure is found. Join us as we honor their commitment.

The fun evening will feature live entertainment, a wonderful dinner, dancing and distinctive items in a unique silent auction. All proceeds benefit the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin.

Let's join together and organize a GAMMA table for this fun event. Tickets are only \$85 per person (no price increase from last year.)

For more information please contact Cliff H.

WI Gay Volleyball Association GAMMA Team Members Needed *New Milwaukee Division*

The WGVA has announced the start of Milwaukee branch league play starting in April or May of 2009.

Full details have not been published yet but GAMMA is looking for players to form both high and low skill level teams.

Please email or call GAMMA Volleyball Director Peter Schell if you are interested in joining a GAMMA team of either skill level. If enough members show interest, Peter can contact the league for more information and start forming teams.

Please contact Peter.

Accolades

JANUARY EVENTS

Jim T., Lee S., & Peter S.—40th Birthday Party
Richard Q.—Rome Movie Night
David H.—Cribbage
Tony S. & Yen L.—Bowling
Joe L. & Tom B.—Monthly Party
Rob C.—Brunch, MSOE Hockey, Dining Out
Peter S.—Volleyball
Ned T.—Game Night
Jeff G.—Cream City Squares

THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED
OR HELPED TO MAKE THESE EVENTS A SUCCESS!

GAMMA BOARD DIRECTORY

Kyle P. (09)	President
Richard G. (10)	Vice President & Membership
Patrick O. (09)	Secretary & Historian
Brad . (10)	Treasurer
Peter S. (09)	Volleyball & Game Night
Rob C. (09)	Social & Cultural
Chris R. (09)	Outdoor/Recreational & Events Calendar
Bill Wright (09)	Special Projects
<u>Additional member support:</u>	
John S.	Front Runners
Ken K.	Webmaster
Michael H.	Sheepshead
Dan L.	Mail Coordinator
Art S.	Cribbage Coordinator
Todd S.	Newsletter Editor

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Please notify the club of changes in mailing and/or e-mail address. Proper addresses insure prompt delivery of the newsletter. Address-change notifications by the Postal Service cost the club money.

LIABILITY WAIVER:

Event participants should understand that some activities can be physically demanding and even dangerous. Neither GAMMA nor the organizers of an event assume liability for any injury which may result from participating in an activity. Participants assume all liability for their own conduct and safety.

The membership directory as well as the personal information listed in the newsletter is for the private use of our members ONLY and should not be distributed or shared.

GAMMA's membership year is from July 1 to June 30, but join any time during the year, and the dues are pro-rated. Annual dues are \$30.00 for individuals, \$48.00 for two persons receiving one newsletter, or \$15.00 for out-of-state members. Dues are not tax deductible. Call Richard G. at (414)530-1886 for membership dues information.

GAMMA also maintains a web site complete with event information as well as digital copies of the newsletter. Please visit us on-line at:

www.milwaukeegamma.com



February 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>ROME MOVIE NIGHT 6:30-9:00 p.m.</p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>CRIBBAGE 7:00 p.m.</p> 	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>FRONTRUNNERS Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>MONTHLY PARTY 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>BOARD MEETING 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BRUNCH RSVP DEADLINE</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>BOWLING 7:00 p.m.</p> 	<p>14</p> <p>FRONTRUNNERS Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.</p>
<p>15</p> <p>BRUNCH 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>VOLLEYBALL 12:00-2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>SHEEPSHEAD 7:30 p.m.</p> 	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>FRONTRUNNERS Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>GAME NIGHT 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>DINING OUT RSVP DEADLINE</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>DINING OUT 7:00 p.m. cocktails 7:30 p.m. dinner Serb Hall</p> 	<p>28</p> <p>FRONTRUNNERS Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.</p>
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Future Events

DATE & TIME	EVENT
March 1—6:30 p.m.	Rome Movie Night
March 5—7:00 p.m.	Cribbage
March 7—7:00 p.m.	Monthly Party
March 13—7:00 p.m.	Bowling
March 14—7:00 p.m.	Game Night
March 19—7:00 p.m.	Adventure Dining
March 24—7:30 p.m.	Sheepshead
March 27—7:00 p.m.	Dining Out
<i>PLAN AHEAD...</i>	
April 4—5:30 p.m.	Make A Promise Dinner
August 20-23, 2009	Devil's Lake Camping

Save the date . . .

ARCW

23rd Annual

Make A Promise Dinner

April 4, 2009

Join GAMMA for this annual fundraiser, dinner and silent auction along with live entertainment and dancing.